

GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH  
ABSTRACT

PUBLIC SERVICES – Smt.K.Devakrupavaram, former CDPO, ICDS Project, Maddipadu, Prakasam District and retired now – Certain administrative and financial irregularities in supplying of cheap quality of products, duplicate water filters and supplying of cheap quality of products to the AWCs – Disciplinary proceedings initiated under Rule – 20 of the A.P.C.S [CC&A] Rules 1991 – Charges proved – Imposing of 5% cut in pension for a period of three years under Rule – 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980 – Orders – Issued.

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DEPT. FOR WOMEN, CHILDREN, DISABLED & SENIOR CITIZENS [ESTT. – A3]

G.O.RT.No. 316

Dated 26<sup>th</sup> December, 2014  
Read the following:-

01. Appraisal Note No.167, Genl. Admn. (V & E) Dept. dt.05-07-2005.
02. Charge Memo.No.7624/Vig.1/2005-4, dated 13-03-2006 issued by the Commissioner, W.D & C.W., A.P., Hyderabad.
03. Director, W.D & C.W., Procs.No.7624/Vig.1/2005-3, dated22-09-2006.
04. Letter dated 16-05-2011 received from the Secretary, A.P.Women's Commission and E.O., Hyderabad.
05. Government Memo.No.1989/Estt.A2/2010, dated 24-11-2012.
06. From the Commissioner, W.D & C.W., Lr.No.7624/Vig.1/2005, dt.28-01-2013 forwarding the explanation dated 27-12-2012.
07. Government Letter No.1989/Estt.A2/2010, dated 17-05-2013.
08. From Secy, A.P.P.S.C. Lr.No.1193/RT/2/2013, dated 12-09-2014.

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ORDER: -

Whereas in pursuance of the recommendations / observations made by the Vig. & Enft. Dept. in its Appraisal Note No.167, dated 05-07-2005 vide reference 1<sup>st</sup> read above consequent to the surprise check made by the Vig. & Enft., Dept. in the O/o Project Director, DW & CDA., Ongole and other ICDS Projects at Maddipadu, Tarlupadu, Ongole [Rural] and Anganwadi Centers in Prakasam District, the Commissioner, W.D & C.W., vide reference 2<sup>nd</sup> read above, have issued the following Article of Charge to Smt.K.Devakrupavaram, former CDPO, ICDS Project, Maddipadu and then A.C.D.P.O., Ongole [R] under Rule – 20 of the A.P.Civil Services [CC & A] Rules, 1991: -

**CHARGE No.1**

Smt.K.Devakrupavaram, former CDPO, ICDS Project, Maddipadu and present ACDPO, Ongole [R], while working as CDPO, Maddipadu, has procured cheap quality of 149 numbers of Water Filters with the brand name of “Seetarama” instead of “RAMA / GANGA” branded water filters shown in the specifications of DPC vide Proceedings No.857/A/02, dated 12-09-2002 and thus facilitated M/s. Bhavani Enterprises, Markapur to gain money and thereby caused loss of Rs.92,380/- to Government.

02. And whereas the Charged Officer has submitted her explanation stating that she had worked in Maddipadu ICDS Project from 05-10-1998 to 08-07-2005 and that she had procured water filters numbering 149 with the brand name of “RAMA” from M/s. Bhavani Enterprises, Markapur, Prakasam District through the Office Senior Assistant and Junior Assistant who in turn have distributed them to the Anganwadi Centers during the year 2002 and the Senior Assistant has played mischief with a malafide intention, influenced by Sri T.Somasekhar, Office Superintendent, Nellore. As the Charged Officer has denied the charge, the Director, W.D & C.W., has appointed Enquiry Officer to inquire into the charge against Smt.K.Devakrupavaram vide reference 3<sup>rd</sup> read above. While being so, the Charged Officer has retired from service w.e.f. 30-11-2010, on attaining the age of superannuation.

03. And whereas, the Enquiry Officer, has submitted his enquiry report vide reference 4<sup>th</sup> read above, concluding that as verified with the Departmental Purchase Committee proceedings for the year 2002-03, it is noticed that in seven bills for 55 water filters the brand name RAMA is included and 11 bills for 94 water filters no brand name is written; the brand name of water filter supplied to AWCs is Seetarama / RAMA which is a duplicate company; the CDPO has not supplied candles after one year for replacement of spoiled candles and hence, the water filters are not in use in the Anganwadi Centers; the CDPO, Senior Assistant and Junior Assistant have not verified the stocks properly and therefore, it is proved that the water filters Seetarama / RAMA are supplied to AWCs instead of RAMA / GANGA.

04. And whereas, the Government after careful consideration of the matter, have provisionally decided to impose a punishment under Rule-9 of the A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980, to withhold 5% cut in pension for a period of three years in respect of Smt.K.Devakrupavaram, former, CDPO, ICDS Project, Maddipadu, Prakasam District (now retired), as the charge framed against her was held provided.

05. And whereas, the Government vide reference 5<sup>th</sup> read above have issued a notice to the Charged Officer, to show cause as to why the said punishment shall not be imposed on her within a period of fifteen days for taking further action in the matter, failing which it will be construed that she has no reply to offer in the matter.

06. And whereas, the Charged Officer in her further explanation dated 27-12-2012 received vide reference 6<sup>th</sup> read above has stated that she has worked as CDPO from 05-10-1998 to 08-07-2005 and procured water filters numbering 149 which were distributed during the year 2002. She further stated that the model presented to the Office for her perusal was RAMA filters only and she has signed only on the bills by writing RAMA filters only whereas the supply of 149 filters with SITA RAMA received by Sri P.Sreenivasulu, Sr. Asst., and T.Padmasree, Jr. Asst. The Charged Officer has thus denied the charge and requested to kindly to drop the charge and release the retirement benefits.

07. And whereas, the Government have examined the representation of the Charged Officer and decided to confirm the provisional decision which was taken earlier to impose a punishment, under Rule-9 of the A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980, to withhold 5% cut in pension for a period of three years in respect of Smt.K.Devakrupavaram, Retd. CDPO since the explanation submitted by her does not put forth any new grounds to consider her case.

08. And whereas, the Government vide Letter 7<sup>th</sup> read above have forwarded a proposal to the Secretary, A.P.P.S.C to obtain and communicate the concurrence of the 'Commission' on the decision taken by the Government as in Para – 07 above so as to conclude the disciplinary proceedings, pending against the Charged Officer.

09. And whereas, the Secretary, A.P.P.S.C., vide its letter 8<sup>th</sup> read above, has informed the Government that the 'Commission' has agreed with the proposal of the Government to impose the punishment i.e. to withhold 5% cut in pension for a period of three years against the Charged Officer.

10. Now, the Government after careful consideration of the matter, under Rule – 9 of A.P.Revised Pension Rules, 1980, hereby impose the punishment of withholding of 5% [five percent] cut in pension for a period of three years in respect of Smt.K.Devakrupavaram, former CDPO, ICDS Project, Maddipadu, Prakasam District and retired now, as the charge framed by the Commissioner, W.D & C.W., vide Rc.No.7624/Vig.1/2005-4, dated 13-03-2006 was held proved by the Enquiry Officer.

11. This order issues with the concurrence of A.P.P.S.C vide their Lr. 8<sup>th</sup> read above.

12. This order does not preclude the Government from initiating the disciplinary proceedings pending in another case vide Charge Memo.Rc.No.4820/Vig.1/2010, dated 23-06-2010 in C.No.1902/Estt.A3/2013.

13. The Commissioner (I/c), W.D & C.W., A.P., Hyderabad, is requested to take necessary further action in the matter, accordingly.

[BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH]

NILAM SAWHNEY,  
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT.

To

Smt.K.Devakrupavaram, former CDPO, ICDS Project, Maddipadu, Prakasam District and retired now, through the Commissioner, W.D & C.W., A.P., Hyderabad.

The Commissioner, W.D & C.W., A.P., Hyderabad.

The Accountant – General, A.P., Hyderabad.

The Director of Treasuries and Accounts, A.P., Hyderabad.

Copy to: -

The R.J.D., W.D & C.W., Ongole, Prakasam District.

The File C.No.1902/Estt.A3/2013 for information.

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SECTION OFFICER